Executive Proclamation
State of South Dakota
Office of the Governor

Whereas, Lucille Westover was born August 24, 1916, to Robert Carl and Nellie May Westover in a sod house near Jamestown, Nebraska; and,

Whereas, Birthdays commemorate the first day of our lives, and we celebrate the birthdays of those we love as we recognize the joys and sorrows we have shared, the strength we have gained from the obstacles and hardships we have conquered, and the small daily pleasures life offers; and,

Whereas, Lucille experienced the Dirty 30s and continues to exemplify the values of family and hard work and reaches out to those around her in need – a true pioneer woman; and,

Whereas, Lucille married Bryan Gibson on April 25, 1934, in Martin, South Dakota, and to this union seven children were born, who in turn blessed them with twelve grandchildren and ten great-grandchildren; and,

Whereas, Lucille has a passion for horses and has ridden in the Old Settlers Day Parade for 34 years. She is an avid reader and continues to draw, paint and embroider for her family; and,

Whereas, Lucille will observe her 90th Birthday with all the good wishes, fanfare and celebration such a milestone warrants, as her friends and relatives gather to honor her and celebrate her life and the camaraderie of the day with an open house August 19, 2006 at the Senior Center in Highmore; and it is fitting and proper for the Governor to make note of this milestone in the life of a woman who has lived an exemplary life for all to emulate:

Now, Therefore, I, M. Michael Rounds, Governor of the state of South Dakota, do hereby proclaim August 24, 2006, as

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in South Dakota, and I join all her many friends and her relatives in wishing her a very happy birthday, good health, and great happiness.

In Witness Whereof, I have hereunto set my hand and caused to be affixed the Great Seal of the state of South Dakota, in Pierre, the Capital City, this Seventh Day of August in the Year of Our Lord, Two Thousand and Six.

M. Michael Rounds, Governor

Attest:

Chris Nelson, Secretary of State